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BUSINES PRACTICES ACT 26 27 25 Complaint 124

Plaintiff ERIKA LANDIN, individually and on behalf of a class of persons similarly situated, complains against the defendant LOS ANGELES CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a L.A. CELLULAR OF CALIFORNIA, and states as follows:

NATURE OF CASE

- 1. This class action complaint asserts causes of action against defendant for violations of the California Unfair Business Practices Act (*CUBPA*) and for unjust enrichment.
- 2. Plaintiff alleges that defendant engages in unfair or deceptive acts and practices by: (a) refusing to automatically credit its customers' bills for a "dropped call"; (b) concealing from its customers that it will issue airtime credit for a "dropped call" upon the customer's request; and (c) omitting any definition of the term "dropped call" in its written publications and promotional materials circulated to its customers.
- 3. Plaintiff further alleges that defendant engages in these deceptive acts and practices so that it may be unjustly enriched at the expense of all class members.
- 4. Plaintiff and the thousands of other cellular phone customers on whose behalf they sue have been damaged by defendant's unfair and deceptive conduct.

PARTIES

5. Plaintiff ERIRA LANDIN ("LAMDIN") is an individual residing in Los Angeles, California. Plaintiff has been a customer of defendant for at least 1 year. Plaintiff has been damaged by the actions of defendant as described in this Complaint.

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Defendant LOS ANGELES CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMPANY d/b/a L.A cellular of california ("L.A. cellular") is a cellular phone service provider which is authorized to do and does business in Los Angeles Councy and the State of California.

CLASS ALLEGATIONS

- Plaintiff brings this action, on behalf of herself and all other similarly situated as a class action pursuant to 5382 of the California Code of Civil Procedure and 51781 of the California Civil Code. The class which plaintiff seeks to represent is composed of and defined as: All persons and entities who are, or were, cellular customers of L.A. Cellular who have experienced "dropped calls" for which they have received no credit. Specifically excluded is the defendant; its officers, directors and employees; its affiliates. divisions and subsidiaries; and federal, state or local governmental entity.
- The action has been brought and may properly be maintained as a class action pursuant to the provisions of \$382 and the California Code of Civil Procedure and \$1781 of the .California Civil Code because:
 - The class is so numerous that individually joining all members is impracticable under the circumstance of this case. Although the exact umber of class members is unknown to plaintiff at this time, plaintiff is informed and believes based on the number of customers of defendant that the class includes hundreds of thousands of persons and entities.

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- b. Common questions of law and fact exist as to all members of the class and predominate over any questions which affect only individual members of the class. These common questions of law and fact include, without limitation:
 - i). Whether defendant's conduct violates \$17200 et. seq of the California Business and Professions Code;
 - ii). the amount of additional revenue and profits obtained by defendant and attributed to its unlawful conduct:
 - iii). the appropriate nature of class applied equitable relief; and
 - iv). Whether the members of the class have sustained damages and, if so, what is the proper measure and appropriate formula to be applied in determining damages.
- c. Plaintiff's claims are typical of the claims of the members of the class. Plaintiff and all members of the class sustained damages and injuries arising out of defendant's common course of conduct in violation of law as complained of herein. The injuries and damages of each member of class were caused directly by the defendant's wrongful conduct in violation of common and statutory law as alleged herein.
- d. Plaintiff will fairly and adequately protect the interests of the members of the class. Plaintiff is a

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representative of the class as she has no interest which are adverse to the interests of absent class members and, like all members of the class, experienced "dropped calls" for which she received no credit and was adversely affected by defendant's actions. Plaintiffs has retained counsel who has substantial experience and knowledge in the prosecution and of complex class action litigation.

- e. The marketing and policies and procedures described were part of the common course of conduct of representations or omissions of material information and deceptive acts and practices concerning "dropped calls" undertaken by defendant. As a result, the issues which affect plaintiff and all members of the class in common predominate over those which affect the interest of any individual class member.
 - f. A class action is superior to other available means for the fair and efficient adjudication since individual adjoinder for all members of the class is impracticable. Furthermore, as the damages suffered by each individual member of the class may be relatively small, the expenses and burden of individual litigation would make it difficult or impossible for individual member of the class to redress the wrongs done to them. The cost to the court system for adjudications of such individualized litigation would be substantial. Individualized litigation would also present the potential for inconsistent or contradictory judgments.

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9. Plaintiff and the class assert that their damages should be awarded on a fluid recovery basis.

SUBSTANTIVE ALLEGATIONS

- 10. A "dropped call" is a call which is involuntarily terminated or dropped on a cellular phone. When a dropped call occurs, plaintiff and the class must either:
 - a. redial the telephone call that was dropped; or
 - b. have the party at the other end of the telephone call place the call again.
- 11. When either (a) or (b) occurs, the redialed phone call is billed by defendant as the beginning of a new call.

 All calls are billed by defendant in one minute increments, as opposed to in fractions of the minute of airtime used.
- 12. It is defendant's customary business practice to issue cradit to its customers for one minute of airtime when a dropped call occurs, but only upon the request of the customer.
- issue aircime credit for its customers' dropped calls upon request. Defendant conceals this fact so that (a) its customers will not request credit for a dropped call; and (b) so defendant is unjustly enriched through its customers' payment for the airtime they incur when a call drops.
- 14. Defendant also conceals from its customers the meaning of the term "dropped call." By doing so, the vast majority of defendant's customers are completely ignorant of both the term "dropped call" and of the fact that defendant issues credit to its customers for dropped calls upon their Complaint24

- 15. The most that defendant discloses to its customers is that, if the customer has "questions", he or she should call the Customer Care Department.
- 16. If the customer elects to call defendant's Customer Care Department, the customer must pass through a series of electronic menus, none of which refer to "dropped calls", then wait for a period of time which often exceeds ten minutes before speaking with a live operator who informs the customer that credits for dropped calls are issued only if reported after the billing statement is issued.
- 17. Once the billing statement is issued, the customer must repeat the procedures enumerated in paragraph 16 and then engage in a time-consuming and burdensome reporting procedure about their dropped calls.
- 18. By requiring its customers to engage in such onerous reporting procedures, defendant unfairly dissuades its customers from making any inquiries about and/or seeking credit for a dropped call.
- 19. Defendant further engages in unfair and deceptive acts by refusing to issue an automatic credit to its customers' accounts for dropped calls. Dropped calls are easily ascertainable from the customer's bill since two calls are generally made to the same number within minutes or even seconds. Defendant, however, does not issue automatic credits to its customers' accounts so that its customers have to pay for the sirtime they incur when a call drops.
- 20. In contrast to the unfair or deceptive practices of ComplaintJ4 7

defendant, many other cellular companies do issue "automatic" credits to their customers for dropped calls. For example, the Service Plan of ATST Wireless Service/Cellular One in Denver, Colorado, specifically provides:

Calls may be "dropped" or involuntarily disconnected for various reasons. If you place a call and it drops, our system will automatically credit your account for one minute of airtime when you reconnect that same number within one minute.

(Emphasis supplied and emphasis in original).

21. Similarly, GTE MobilNet's User Manual in Houston, Texas, specifically provides:

If a call is improperly dropped, your acrount will be automatically credited with one minute of airtime if you redial the number within two minutes. (Credit is designated by an asterisk as shown.)

(Emphasis supplied).

22. The ATAT Wireless Service "Rates and Coverage" Brochure in Dallas, Texas, likewise provides:

Automatic Call Credit Guarantees. If you place a call and it is dropped, you will automatically be credited for one minute of day airtime when you call the same number back within one minute. Just re-dial and keep talking.

An <u>automatic</u> dropped call credit will be provided for airtime charges above the minutes included in your package plan, when a call is dropped by our switch on an outbound call, within the home coverage area, and the number is redialed and connected within 60 seconds.

23. By refusing to issue an automatic credit to its customers' bills for dropped calls, defendant is engaging in unfair conduct and continues to be unjustly enriched in the amount of millions of dollars.

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24. As a result of defendant's unfair and deceptive acts and practices, plaintiff and the class have been damaged.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

[For Violation of the California Unfair Business Practices Act
Business & Professions Code \$17200 - Unfair and Misleading
Advertising]

- 25. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation in paragraphs 1 through 24 as if fully set forth herein.
- 26. The acts and practices described above, were and are likely to mislead the general public and therefore constitute unfair or fraudulent business practices within the meaning of Business & Professions Code \$17200.
- 27. Defendant engages in unfair and deceptive trade practices by making the material omissions, concealments, and suppressions as described herein. Defendant employs its unfair and unlawful scheme for the purpose of inducing reliance and with the intent to deceive and mislead plaintiff and the class.
- 28. Defendant's unfair and deceptive practices were committed in connection with the conduct of trade and commerce.
- 29. By virtue of the foregoing, plaintiff and the class have suffered substantial damages.

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[For Violation of Business & Professions Code \$17500]

- 30. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation in paragraphs 1 through 29 as if fully set forth herein.
- 31. The advertising, labeling and all other promotional efforts undertaken by defendant constitutes advertising devices disseminated by defendant which contained and continued to contain statements concerning "dropped calls" which are untrue and/or misleading, and which are known, or by the exercise of reasonable care should have been known, to be untrue or misleading by defendant, in violation of California Business & Professions Code \$17500, et seq.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

(Unjust Enrichment)

- 32. Plaintiff repeats and realleges each and every allegation in paragraphs 1 through 31 as if fully set forth herein.
- 33. As a result of the unfair and deceptive acts and practices of defendant, defendant has been and continues to be unjustly enriched through the recention of money belonging to plaintiff and the class.
- 34. Defendant's unjust enrichment has been at the expense of and to the detriment of plaintiff and the class.
- 35. Defendant's unfair and deceptive conduct is against the fundamental principles of justice, equity and good conscience.

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WHEREFORE, plaintiff, individually and on behalf of a

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class of persons similarly situated, respectfully prays that

and 17535, and pursuant to the equitable powers of this court,

misleading promotional activities and practices and the acts of

Plaintiff prays that Defendants be ordered to disgorge for the

benefit of the class its profits and composition and/or restore

practice declared by this court to be unlawful or fraudulent or

to constitute unfair competition under Business and Professions

Code \$517200 et seq., or misleading advertising under \$17500 et

17535, and pursuant to the equitable powers of this court,

or to constitute unfair competition under Business and

Professions Code \$17200 et seq., or misleading advertising

Plaintiff prays that Defendants be ordered to provide to the

public restitution as to all funds lost as a result of any act

or practice declared by this court to be unlawful or fraudulent

Plaintiff prays that the Defendants be preliminarily and

17535, and pursuant to the equitable powers of this court,

to the public all funds acquired by means of any act or

permanently enjoined to cease and desist all false and

unfair competition as alleged above.

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- 4. Certify this claim as a class action with the named plaintiff as class representatives and her attorneys as class counsel on behalf of a class of all persons similarly situated;
- 5. Enter judgment against defendant for damages sustained by plaintiff and the class by reason of the acts alleged here:
- 6. Enter an award against defendant for costs and expenses, including costs relating to the retaining of experts, and reasonable attorney's fees incurred for and on behalf of the named plaintiff and members of the class in connection with the prosecution of this cause;
- 7. Enter an order permitting the use of fluid recovery to assess the damages of plaintiff and the class; and
- 8. Order such other and further relief as this Court may deem fit to grant in fashioning a remedy for the named plaintiff and the class she represents.
- 9. For such other and further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

Dated: January 26, 1996 Respectfully submitted,

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EXHIBIT 2

SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA
FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

CASE NUMBER
BC143305

V8.

Los Angeles Cellular Telephone
Company

TENTATIVE RULING

#1, BC 143305

Hearing Date: July 29, 1998

Dept. 54, Judge Ernest M. Hiroshige

MOTION FOR SUMMARY ADJUDICATION

MOVING PARTY: Defendant Los Angeles Cellular Telephone Company

RESPONDING PARTY: Plaintiff

T/R: THE MOTION IS DENIED.

Renewal of Motion

Under CCP § 1008(b), if the prior motion was denied, the moving party may later renew the motion by showing "new or different facts, circumstances, or law" even after the 10-day limit applicable to a motion for reconsideration. Weil & Brown, Cal. Prac. Guide, Civ. Proc. Bef. Trial, § 10:373. The Gates declaration indicates that since the court's minute order was entered on 12/19/97 (Exh. C), the Court of Appeal issued the decision in Day v. AT&T Corp. (1998) 63 Cal. App.4th 325 (Exh. D). Gates Decl., ¶5. The instant motion is therefore a proper renewal of the court's 12/19/97 ruling on summary judgment.

Section 17500 Cause of Action

Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17500 prohibits the dissemination of "untrue or misleading" advertisements. In <u>Day v. AT&T Corp.</u> (1998) 63 Cal. App.4th 325, 74 Cal.Rptr.2d 55 (Gates Decl., Exh. D), plaintiffs filed a complaint for injunctive relief claiming that

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defendants, sellers of prepaid telephone cards, engaged in unfair business practices and false and misleading advertising in violation of BPC §§ 17200 and 17500 by failing to "reveal to the consumer, prior to purchase, that calls made with these cards are, in fact, rounded up to the next higher minutes." Id. at 58.

L.A. Cellular argues that <u>Day</u> stands for the proposition that there is no duty to advertise the dropped-call policy if the policy is disclosed in the tariff. However, the <u>Day</u> court specifically found that if carriers choose to advertise, "they must do so with sufficient accuracy that they do not risk misleading or deceiving the consumer. We hold that under California's unfair business practices and deceptive advertising provisions respondents are prohibited from disseminating misleading or deceptive packaging materials with their prepaid phone cards." <u>Id.</u> at 62-63. <u>Day</u> did not shield defendants from liability on the basis that the advertisements did not contradict the rounding-up policies set forth in the tariff. The court stated that once the cards had been purchased and used, the plaintiffs received exactly what they paid for. <u>Id.</u> at 64. Rather, the court held that there was a claim under sections 17200 and 17500 because the advertisements which the defendants did run (i.e. the packaging representing a certain number of minutes) were allegedly misleading.

Day is similar to the instant case, where plaintiff is not claiming a violation of the tariff, but rather a violation of the California statute prohibiting unfair advertising practices. As in Day, plaintiff here is entitled to bring a claim under section 17500 on the basis that once defendant chose to advertise, it had a duty to do so without misleading the consumer. As discussed in the ruling on defendant's prior MSJ, there is a triable issue of fact as to whether the defendant concealed its dropped calls policy. Exh. C, p.3. Pay does not alter the ruling. The MSA as to the 2nd c/a for violation of section 17500 is denied.

Unjust Enrichment Cause of Action

Defendant argues that because the plaintiff had an express, written contract with L.A. Cellular, the c/a for unjust enrichment is barred. However, unlike the plaintiff in Lance Camper Manuf. Corp. v. Republic Indemnity Co. of Amer. (1996) 44 Cal.App.4th 194, plaintiff in the instant case does not seek to enforce an express contract while asserting a contradictory claim for unjust enrichment. Although plaintiff admitted in her deposition that she entered into a cellular-service agreement with L.A. Cellular (Exh. E., pp.22-24,31), the evidence does not show that the express contract covered the same terms (dropped-call credits) as are at issue in the claim for unjust enrichment, or that plaintiff is attempting to plead an express contract on these grounds. Likewise, Lloyd v. Williams (1964) 227 Cal.App.2d 646 held that the plaintiff could not introduce certain evidence at trial which related to the defendant's misrepresentations, because such evidence was inconsistent with the allegations of the pleadings and

the pretrial conference order. Lloyd at 649. Such is not the case here.

Finally, the argument that the claim for unjust enrichment is subsumed by the 1st c/a for violation of section 17200 is unsupported. Security Officers Service. Inc. v. State Compensation Ins. Fund (1993) 17 Cal.App.4th 887 does not stand for such a proposition, but merely noted that the plaintiff-insured conceded that the c/a for fraudulent claims practices was part of the c/a for breach of the implied covenant of good faith and fair dealing. Security at 899. Therefore, the MSA as to the 3rd c/a for unjust enrichment is denied.

The court makes all evidentiary rulings consistent with the findings of this analysis.

Plaintiff to give notice.

Date:

Ernest M. Hiroshige
Judge of the Superior Court

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ERIKA LANDIN	CASE NUMBER . BC 143305
vs.	PLAINTIFF(S)
LOS ANGELES CELLULAR TELEPHONE COMPANY	TENTATIVE RULING
	DEFENDANT (S)

#1, BC 143305

Hearing Date: July 31, 1998

Dept. 54, Judge Ernest M. Hiroshige

MOTION FOR ORDER FOR CLASS CERTIFICATION

MOVING PARTY: Plaintiff Erika Landin

RESPONDING PARTY: Defendant LA Cellular Telephone

T/R: THE MOTION IS GRANTED.

Ascertainable Class

Plaintiff has established that the class ("All Los Angeles Cellular Telephone Company customers from January 26, 1992 through the present who have experienced 'dropped calls' for which they have received partial or no credit") is ascertainable. Daar v. Yellow Cab. Co. (1967) 67 Cal.2d 695. Although defendant argues that it cannot distinguish between dropped calls and calls that are dropped voluntarily (Fowler Decl., ¶3), plaintiff has submitted evidence to show that defendant can estimate the number of dropped calls per month and the revenue stream associated with dropped calls. Reply, Exhs. A-C. The California Supreme Court has held that "fluid recovery" may be appropriate in consumer class actions where damage distribution poses special problems. "Often, proof of competent evidence is not feasible...In addition, consumers are not likely to retain records of small purchases for long periods of time." State of Calif. v. Levi Strauss & Co. (1986) 41 Cal.3d 460, 471-72. Further, notice to the class members would be reasonably

included in monthly billing statements. Plaintiff has met her burden of proving that the class is ascertainable.

Commonality of Interest

Plaintiff has established that common questions of law and Plaintiff raises common issues regarding fact predominate. information provided by defendant on the tariff and dropped call credit policy. Landin Decl., ¶¶2-6. Pursuant to Cal. Bus. & Prof. Code § 17200 et seq., plaintiff must show that members of the public are likely to be deceived. Restitution may be ordered without individualized proof of deception, reliance, and injury if the remedy is necessary to prevent the use of the unfair practice. Committee on Children's TV. Inc. v. General Foods Corp. (1983) 35 Cal.3d 197, 211. In class actions under the statute, restitution may be ordered in the absence of proof of the individual's lack of knowledge of the alleged wrongful conduct if the court determines that such a remedy is necessary to deter future violations or to foreclose the defendant's retention of ill-gotten gains. Fletcher v. Security Pacific National Bank (1979) 23 Cal.3d 442, 454.

Adequacy of Representation

Plaintiff has established that she has claims typical of the class and that she can adequately represent the class. Richmond v. <u>Dart Industries, Inc.</u> (1981) 29 Cal.3d 462, 470. Unlike the proposed class representative in <u>Caro v. Procter & Gamble Co.</u> (1993) 18 Cal.App.4th 644, the evidence does not indicate that plaintiff's claims of damages, versus simply their computation, are atypical of the class members. Caro at 665. Moreover, although plaintiff may have conceded in her deposition that she does not understand all of the intricacies of this action, she has demonstrated a familiarity with its outlines. <u>In re Diasonics</u> Securities Litigation (N.D. Calif. 1984) 599 F. Supp. 447, 453. example, plaintiff testified to the basic definition of "dropped calls" and stated that the complaint involves L.A. Cellular having "deceived people by not telling them that they can get credit for their dropped calls." Reply, Exh. E, Landin Depo., 8:1-12. named plaintiffs in Edgington v. R.G. Dickinson & Co. (D. Kan. 1991) 139 F.R.D. 183 were of advanced age and in poor health. They had "lapses in memory and contradiction in testimony" which is not alleged here. Edgington at 195-96.

Plaintiff has met her burden of establishing the requisite elements of class certification. The motion is granted.

Plaintiff to give notice.

Date:

Ernest M. Hiroshige Judge of the Superior Court EXHIBIT 3

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(now AT&T Wireless Services doing business as AB Cellular Holding, LLC, but referred to herein as "L.A. Cellular");

WHEREAS, on February 11, 1999 the Court in Spielholz granted L.A. Cellular's motion to strike the plaintiffs' claims for monetary damages on the ground that such claims are preempted by Section 332(c)(3)(A) of the Federal Communications Act;

WHEREAS, on May 7, 1999 plaintiffs in Spielholz filed a petition for writ of mandate or other extraordinary relief seeking immediate review by the California Court of Appeal of the decision granting L.A. Cellular's motion to strike;

WHEREAS, on June 7, 1999, plaintiffs' counsel in Spielholz advised the Clerk of the California Court of Appeal of its intention to file a petition with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") requesting a declaratory ruling on whether the Federal Communications Act preempts the state courts from awarding monetary relief as a remedy for fraud and false advertising claims, a copy of which letter is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, on June 15, 1999 the Court of Appeal of the State of California, Second Appellate District has entered an Order, attached hereto as Exhibit B, staying all proceedings in the trial court and Court of Appeals in the Spielholz action pending a ruling by the FCC on the petition for a determination whether the Federal Communications Act preempts state courts from awarding monetary relief as a remedy for fraud and false advertising claims;

WHEREAS, counsel for the parties in the action pending before this Court agree that such a decision by the FCC may have an impact on this action; and

WHEREAS, counsel for the parties in this action desire to notify this Court of the Court of Appeal's Order and, consequently, seek an Order from this Court staying all proceedings in this case until the FCC rules on the petition filed therewith;

IT IS HEREBY AGREED AND STIPULATED among the parties, through their respective counsel of record, that:

- (1) All pre-trial and trial dates in this matter shall be vacated;
- (2) All trial, pre-trial, and discovery proceedings in this matter shall be stayed pending a decision by the FCC;

1	(3)	L.A. Cellular agrees to pr	ovide counsel for plaintiff with copies of any	
2	documents s	documents submitted to the FCC by any party concerning the above-referenced petition,		
3	documents filed with the Court of Appeal, and pleadings in the Spielholz action that led to the			
4	Court of Appeal's proceedings referenced herein.			
5	(4) L.A. Cellular agrees to promptly notify counsel for plaintiff of any ruling by the			
6	FCC or the	Court of Appeal; and		
7	(5)	If plaintiff in Spielholz fai	ils to file a petition with the FCC within sixty (60)	
8	days of entry	y of this Order, the stay in the	his case shall be lifted.	
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19			Mary Jane Edelstein Fait	
20			Attorneys for Plaintiff	
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26			The Honorable Ernest M. Hiroshige Judge of the Superior Court	
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